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Jackson Beverages Pays \$125,000 Fine For Alcohol Distribution Violations

ATLANTA—Jackson Beverages, Inc., an alcoholic beverage wholesaler located in Griffin, Ga., recently pleaded guilty to six citations and paid a \$125,000 fine for violation of Georgia's alcoholic beverage laws and regulations.

The citations covered violations dating from 1994 to the present for the following infractions:

- Making sales of alcoholic beverages to unlicensed businesses and individuals.
- Allowing unlicensed individuals to receive delivery of alcoholic beverages at the Jackson Beverages location.
- Making sales of alcoholic beverages for which no accurate invoices or sales tickets were prepared or provided.
- Providing goods or services without charge to licensed retailers.
- Delivering alcoholic beverages to separate locations on behalf of a licensed retailer.
- Making sales and deliveries of alcoholic beverages without receiving payment at the time of delivery.

"We intend to continue our active pursuit of individuals and businesses involved in the distribution and selling of alcoholic beverages in Georgia who are not operating within the parameters established by the state's laws and regulations," said Georgia Revenue Commissioner Bart L. Graham. "We also will be pursuing any tax violations that may be associated with these illegal activities."

The \$125,000 fine paid by Jackson Beverages, Inc. is believed to be the largest fine ever paid by a Georgia wholesaler. Department of Revenue officials, who have been with the DOR for more than 25 years, believe \$6,000 had previously been the largest imposed fine.

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